

Remarks/Arguments

Reconsideration of this application, as proposed to be amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 11-15 remain for consideration in this application.

The Examiner noted the presence of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 3, 6, 7, and 10-12.

As now presented, claim 1 contains the subject matter of claim 2, which has been cancelled. Since claim 2 was considered to contain allowable subject matter, claim 1 is now thought clearly allowable.

Claim 3 has been amended to depend from claim 1 and, thus, is also thought clearly allowable.

Claim 4 has been amended to contain the subject matter of claim 6, which has been cancelled. Since claim 6 was considered to contain allowable subject matter, claim 4 is now thought clearly allowable.

Claim 5 depends from claim 4 and is likewise thought clearly allowable.

Claim 8 has been amended to contain the subject matter of claims 9 and 10, each of which have been cancelled. Since claim 10 was considered to contain allowable subject matter, claim 8 is now thought clearly allowable.

Claims 11, 12 and 13 have been amended to depend from claim 8 and, thus, are also thought clearly allowable.

Claims 14 and 15 have each been amended to contain the subject matter of claim 10, which the Examiner considered to contain allowable subject matter. Thus, claims 14 and 15 are thought clearly allowable.

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In conclusion, it is believed that the proposed amendment clearly places this application in condition for allowance, and the entry of this amendment and the allowance of this application is respectfully requested.


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Respectfully,


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